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Consulting Water Management Program

The Town Council has approved the Consulting Water Management Program offering residents the opportunity to obtain professional recommendations on improving water management on their property. The program was proposed by the Town's Public Services Committee and approved by the Town Council at its September 9 meeting. To sign up, residents must complete a registration form, available in the Town Office and on the Town website (www.townofchevyCHASE.org).

Under the program, a consulting engineer will visit each property where the resident requests a water drainage review. The engineer will then provide a written report to the resident with recommendations on improving water drainage and runoff. The recommendations will not be mandatory for implementation by the resident, in whole or in part, and the Town will not be liable for any results, positive or negative, if implemented. This service is offered to residents one time each year and is not provided to assist with water management related to new construction, which is regulated by the Town's Water Drainage Ordinance. The service does not include developing engineering plans to address water drainage or runoff problems. Neither the engineer nor the Town would become involved in problems resulting from water coming off of a neighboring property if the problem could not be solved within the requestor's boundaries.

The Town Council has approved a budget of \$20,000 for this program in this fiscal year. This cost includes professional engineering services for 75 resident reviews at 3 hours per review. Sign up soon, as space is limited. Please call the Town Office at 301-654-7144 for more information.

Town History: 99 Years Ago in Our Town

In 1910, Dr. Ryan Devereux, a former surgeon with the Army Medical Corps, moved to Chevy Chase and bought a small stucco house on Bradley Lane in the newly opened Section 4. He would transform the residence into an imposing brick Georgian-style country house that still stands at 3911 Bradley Lane.

A few doors up from the Devereux's, a two-room schoolhouse at 3905 Bradley Lane built by the Chevy Chase Land Company in 1898 had closed after only a few years of operation because Chevy Chase families preferred the superior D.C. public schools of the time. But when D.C. began charging tuition for Maryland students in 1911, Dr. Devereux led the Chevy Chase effort to establish its own school in a rented house at 6812 Delaware Street, one block east of Connecticut Avenue. That small school was the forerunner to portable wooden classrooms on Rosemary Street, directly across from today's Chevy Chase Elementary School.

(Second in a series of Town of Chevy Chase
historical vignettes to be published during 2009-2010).

Greetings from the Mayor

Kathy Strom

It was great to see so many familiar and so many new faces at our Centennial Supper celebration! We send thanks to all of you, those who opened up your homes to dinner or dessert guests, those of you who cooked or brought dinner or dessert dishes to your neighbors, those of you who took an evening out and spent time with your neighbors, and those on our Town's Community Relations Committee who worked so diligently to make the evening a special one. We have heard from many of you about the event and hope to make it an annual Town tradition. What a good start to our new year.

The Town's volunteer committees have launched, and the mission statement of each committee for the year is set out in this Forecast. Even if you could not join a committee this year, feel free to attend a meeting or send in your ideas. We have seen in recent months, through many initiatives -- our native canopy tree planting program, our residential water management program, and now the proposed energy audit and improvement assistance program -- that many helpful ideas for our Town grow out of our committees.

In October, Town programs of interest include the Visiting Nurses flu shots at Town Hall the afternoon of October 5, and our fall Trash and Treasures the weekend of October 3 and 4. We encourage you to take advantage of the many alternatives that will allow you to recycle or donate many items at the Lawton Center parking lot on Saturday morning, October 3. We also invite you to meet your neighbors and enjoy our fall Oktoberfest event at Town Hall on Saturday, October 17.



OCTOBER

- Thursday, October 1 – Neighborhood Watch Training, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.**
- Saturday and Sunday, October 3 and 4 – Trash and Treasures**
- Monday, October 5 – Fight the Flu Clinic, 4 – 7 p.m.**
- Thursday, October 8 – Neighborhood Watch Training, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.**
- Monday, October 12 – Land Use Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.**
- Tuesday, October 13, Town Coffee, 9:30 – 11 p.m.**
- Tuesday, October 13 – Public Services Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m.**
- Wednesday, October 14 – Council Meeting, 7 p.m.**
- Thursday, October 15 – Neighborhood Watch Training, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.**
- Saturday, October 17 – Oktoberfest, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.**
- Monday, October 19 - Long Range Planning Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.**
- Wednesday, October 21 – Community Relations Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.**
- Tuesday, October 27 – Climate Protection Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.**
- Saturday, October 31 – Halloween Spooktacular, 3 – 5 p.m.**

Please check the Town website for the complete October calendar
and up-to-date details about Town events and meetings.

www.townofchevy Chase.org

CRIMEWATCH

9/22/09

Resident at the corner of 45th and Elm Streets reported an egging that took place on 9/19 at 9:30 p.m.

9/21/09

Resident in the 4300 block of Curtis Road reported that houses on Curtis and Oakridge Avenue were egged on 9/19.

Resident in the 4300 block of Leland Street reported that her house was egged on 9/19.

Resident in the 4300 block of Thornapple Street reported car eggings last week.

9/15/09

Resident in the 7100 block of Ridgewood Avenue reported that a window in her car was smashed and the GPS holder and change were stolen.

Resident in the 4200 block of Rosemary Street reported that her (possibly unlocked) car was entered and a video-game controller and change were taken.

Resident in the 3900 block of Virgilia Street reported that her unlocked car was broken into and change was stolen.

Resident in the 4000 block of Virgilia Street reported that her unlocked car was entered and a digital camera was stolen.

9/9/09

Staff from Chevy Chase Elementary School reported that during school hours a staff member's car was vandalized. The back window of the car was broken.

9/7/09

Resident in the 7100 block of 45th Street reported a car window was broken.

Resident in the 7200 45th Street reported a car window was broken. An XM radio and radio were taken.

9/2/09

Resident on Walsh Street reported a suspicious car parked on 46th Street. The officer on duty in the Town checked on the car. The car was registered to a DC resident. Officer Gaynor contacted the owner and discovered that the car had been stolen. The owner had the car retrieved.

Please report all crimes to the Montgomery County police at the non-emergency number 301-279-8000. For emergencies, call 911. Any information you can give to the police about criminal or suspicious activity in Town will help to make us safer. In addition, please report incidents to the Town office at 301-654-7144 so that we can notify our off-duty Montgomery County police officers. Also, when you report crimes to the Town Office, you help us provide accurate crime information in Town Crier notices, the FORECAST and on the Town website.

Join Neighborhood Watch Block Captains Training To Start in October

As interest in a community Neighborhood Watch program has grown, more and more residents have volunteered to become block captains. The Montgomery County Police Department has agreed to train Town volunteers on issues ranging from what to look out for to the best way to communicate with neighbors and police. As block captain for your street, your responsibility is to notify your neighbors about suspicious activity and to provide other useful information to make our Town safer. Residents are encouraged to sign up to become block captains as the Town would like as many blocks covered as possible. If you take the lead, your neighbors will help out.

There will be three training sessions this fall on **October 1, 8, and 15 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Town Hall. Block captains should plan to attend all three sessions in order for the police to officially recognize the watch program and to provide the Town with signs and additional Neighborhood Watch materials. Please call the Town office at 301-654-7144 to RSVP for the training sessions.

Town Considers Energy-Efficiency Assistance Program

The Town Council will hold a public hearing at its **October 14** meeting on a proposed Energy Audit and Improvements Assistance Program that would reimburse residents for some of the costs associated with obtaining an energy audit and implementing energy efficient improvements. The program, proposed by the Town's Climate Protection Committee, would help the Town meet its goal of reducing CO₂ emissions while helping residents save money on their energy bills. During this fiscal year, the program would be available to 50 households on a first-come, first-served basis.

Under the audit portion of the program, residents would sign up with the Town Office and receive a list of certified energy auditors. The resident would then choose a certified auditor of their choice, schedule the energy audit and submit a paid bill for reimbursement by the Town along with data from the audit and a list of planned follow-up actions. The Town would reimburse the resident up to \$200 for the cost of the energy audit. Under the improvements portion of the program, resi-

Public Hearing

dents would sign up with the Town Office after a certified audit has been completed, implement improvements identified in the audit (any improvements requiring a permit would need to be performed by a licensed Maryland home improvement contractor) and submit a bill to the Town for reimbursement. The Town would reimburse the resident up to \$400 for the cost of the improvements. As part of this program, a resident would agree to allow the Town to use data, such as energy bills, for calculations of energy savings. All personal information would be removed from the bills to protect residents' privacy.

The Climate Protection Committee has proposed a budget of \$30,000 for this program in this fiscal year. This cost would include providing maximum reimbursements to up to 50 residents. Residents are encouraged to attend the **October 14** public hearing to provide their comments on this proposed program. If you are unable to attend the meeting, you may e-mail comments to townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org or submit written comments to the Town Office, 4301 Willow Lane, by **October 14**.

Purple Line Update: Volunteers Sought for Mitigation Advisory Group

As the next phase in the Purple Line project, the State will soon submit to the Federal Transit Authority (FTA) a New Starts Criteria package and a Request for Permission to Enter Preliminary Engineering for the Purple Line Locally Preferred Alternative. If the FTA grants that permission, the State will begin the preliminary engineering phase of the project.

The Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the Purple Line project will not be ready for circulation until the preliminary engineering is completed. Based on recent information from both the FTA and the Maryland Transit Administration, the Final EIS is anticipated to be one to two years away. Any legal action the Town may wish to consider would not be necessary until after the Final EIS is released.

Therefore, a final decision on any Town legal action has been postponed. Yet, based on resident input over the last few months, the Town Council will continue to work to highlight the potential of the Jones Bridge Road BRT line alternative to state and federal authorities.

As part of the preliminary engineering phase, the State needs to develop more detailed designs of specific segments of the preferred alignment. Governor O'Malley and the Purple Line project director, Mike Madden, have extended a request to Mayor Strom to meet with Town representatives to begin discussing mitigation measures to minimize the environmental impacts – both on the trail and on resident properties abutting the rail – should light rail come to the trail.

To assist with that work, the Town Council has decided to convene a Purple Line Mitigation Advisory Group made up of a number of Town residents to work with the State to identify ways to lessen negative impacts such as noise, vibration, tree removal, access and safety problems. The Council is seeking volunteers representing a cross-section of the neighborhood and viewpoints to serve on the advisory group, including individuals who live adjacent to the Trail, are frequent Trail users, are proponents of transit on the Trail and/or who have knowledge about successful mitigation measures elsewhere.

This group of five to seven residents is expected to consult widely with Town residents to gather concerns about the Purple Line's potential impacts and suggestions for easing those impacts. In addition, the advisory group may identify outside professionals with the appropriate expertise to help the Town with this project. Town Long-Range Planning Committee co-chair Mary Anne Hoffman will head the advisory group.

Town residents interested in serving on the Purple Line Mitigation Advisory Group are asked to email Mayor Kathy Strom at kstrom@townofchevy Chase.org with a brief description of why you'd like to serve, your professional or volunteer background, and any special interest in the Purple Line on the Trail you'd bring to the group. The deadline for expressions of interest is **October 31, 2009**.

TOWN EVENTS

MedStar Fight the Flu Program, Monday, October 5, 4 – 7 p.m.

The Medstar Visiting Nurses Healthcare will administer flu shots on Monday, October 5, 4 – 7 p.m. in the Town Hall. The cost is \$30 per shot for adults and children 9 years old and up. There is no charge if you have Medicare Part B. Please bring your Medicare card with you to the clinic. Personal checks are accepted and preferred. Please call the Town Office at 301-654-714 by Friday, October 2 to sign up for the program. You must sign up to receive a flu shot!

This year Medstar will administer the pneumonia vaccine to residents who are 65 years of age or older at the clinic on Monday, October 5, 4 – 7 p.m. in the Town Hall. Before age 65, you should receive the vaccine every five years. After age 65, you only need to get the injection one time unless instructed by a physician. The cost of the vaccine is \$55. You must sign up to receive the vaccine.

When the swine flu vaccine becomes available, the MedStar Visiting Nurses will set up clinics to administer the shots to the age groups approved by the FDA for the program. The Town has requested that the MedStar Visiting Nurses hold clinics for Town residents who are in the age groups that qualify for the program. We will provide updated information on this program on the Town website and via the listserv. For the most up-to-date information on the swine flu vaccine, visit the CDC website.

Town Coffee, Tuesday, October 13, 9:30 – 11 a.m.

Please join us for the next town coffee on **Tuesday, October 13** at the home of Maria Olsen (4304 Stanford Street) from 9:30 until 11:00 a.m. Please reach out to new residents and invite them to come along with you and meet others in the neighborhood. All town residents are welcome, but please RSVP to Maria at (301) 652-4370. If you have questions or would like to volunteer to host a coffee, please call Maria Olsen. We hope to see you on the 13th!

THE TOWN'S THIRD OKTOBERFEST

Presented by the Town Council and the Community Relations Committee
Saturday, October 17, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall

Space is limited to 75 residents so be sure to RSVP as soon as possible!

Celebrate the fall with friends and neighbors at the Town's third annual Oktoberfest. You will have a chance to sample beers brewed in Germany and Austria especially for Oktoberfest. In keeping with this theme, you will have a chance to enjoy a selection of sausages and cheeses.

Please RSVP to the Town Office at townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org or 301-654-7144.

Chevy Chase Dinner Out Club, Thursday, October 29, 7 p.m.

Please join the Chevy Chase Dinner Out Club, which has been initiated by the Community Relations Committee, at Moon Gate Restaurant on **Thursday, October 29 at 7 p.m.** The Dinner Out Club is a way for neighbors to meet one another in a casual environment and help support our local restaurants. There are no membership requirements--just join us for dinner out! Moon Gate is our closest neighborhood restaurant located at 4613 Willow Lane. It is a Chinese restaurant with very reasonable prices, an attentive staff and a recently expanded menu. There is ample parking behind the Farm Woman's Market on Willow Lane. Moon Gate is offering us a 10% discount for the Dinner Out event. Please RSVP to the Town Office at 301-654-7144 or e-mail the townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org by October 27 if you are planning to attend.

Home Energy Audit Open House, Sunday, November 1, 2 p.m. at the home of Judith McGuire and Arthur Tsien

Have you ever wondered what really happens in an energy audit? Want to see all the ways to make a 90 year old house more energy efficient? Please come to an open house home energy audit performed out by Live Green LLC on **Sunday, November 1 at 2 p.m.** at the home of Judy McGuire and Arthur Tsien, 4003 Rosemary Street. Refreshments will be served. Only the first 25 people can be reasonably accommodated, so please sign up at the Town office by calling (301) 654-7144.



Committee Volunteers 2009-2010

CLIMATE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

David Lublin, Council Liaison

Judy McGuire, Chair
Daniel Button
Betsy Johnson
Andy Knaus

Elizabeth Mumford
Suzanne Parmet
Dian Seidel
Stuart Sessions

Mission Statement

The purpose of the Climate Protection Committee is to ensure that the Town takes meaningful steps to mitigate global climate change, in compliance with the requirements of the U.S. Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement.

The five steps in compliance include:

1. Undertaking a greenhouse gas assessment.
2. Setting a goal for reducing greenhouse gas emissions that is consistent with the Kyoto Protocol.
3. Preparing a climate action plan to achieve the goal .
4. Implementing the climate action plan.
5. Measuring impact of the action plan on greenhouse gas emissions.

The Climate Protection Committee receives guidance from and provides advice to the Town Council on how to comply with the U.S. Mayors' Agreement and works with volunteers and Town staff to implement relevant activities.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Kathy Strom, Council Liaison

Ann Wild, Chair
Tom Brault
Put Ebinger
Scott Egloff
Stephanie Grill

Bridget Hartman
Steve Keeble
Julie Stanish
Cathy Wolf

Mission Statement

The mission of the Community Relations Committee is to give town residents the information they need to be active participants in the Town's governance, to create a deep sense of community and neighborliness among the Town's residents by organizing activities and events aimed at residents of all ages and interests, and to reach out to residents to ensure that their government and services are responsive to their needs and concerns.

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

David Lublin, Council Liaison

Vicky Taplin, Chair
Sam Black
Keith Blizzard
Kristin Gerlach
Tom Heath
Coralee Hoffman

Sally Kelly
Jimmy Light
Joan Rood
Sarah Smith
Maria Terol

Mission Statement

The Environment Committee was established to help the Town promote a healthier environment for all Town residents. Toward this end, the Committee develops and sponsors voluntary programs to encourage conservation and enhancement of the Town's natural resources and to promote environmentally-friendly policies and practices. It also helps the Town achieve these objectives by proposing new ordinances and suggesting regulations for implementing new and existing ordinances. Lastly, the Committee keeps Town residents informed about both mandatory and voluntary initiatives relating to the environment.

LAND USE COMMITTEE

Linna Barnes, Council Liaison

Dedun Ingram, Chair
Stephanie Brown
Craig Brooks
Tom Collins
Kathy Flaxman

Georgia Guhin
Lees Hartman
Joe Rubin
Joel Rubin
Deborah Vollmer

Mission Statement

The mission of the Land Use Committee is to consider and recommend solutions to issues and concerns relating to land use and construction in the Town of Chevy Chase that may be identified by the Town Council, Town residents, or the Committee itself, to advise the Council on the use of existing Town authority to control development and redevelopment, and to identify laws, policies, and practices related to development that the Town may wish to use. Recommendations are made in view of the Town's Strategic Plan and the public health, safety and general welfare of Town residents.

The Committee will, among other things: (1) advise the Council on land use issues as they arise, 2) monitor enactment of new state and county regulations pertaining to land use that impact the Town, 3) monitor effectiveness of existing Town land use ordinances and regulations and suggest modifications, 4) provide information to Town residents and developers about the Town's land use goals, regulations, policies, and practices.

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Pat Burda, Council Liaison

Karen Depew, Co-Chair
Mary Anne Hoffman, Co-Chair
Tina Coplan
Charles Duffy
Leslie Hill

Sharon Light
John Midlen
Russ Powell
John Murtagh
Jim Roy
Steve Seidel

Mission Statement

The Long-Range Planning Committee identifies, monitors and analyzes emerging trends and local, county and state activities that could affect the Town's quality of life and recommends appropriate Council actions. It also monitors implementation of the Town's Strategic Plan.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Al Lang, Council Liaison

Bill Pritchard, Chair
John Barnes
Scott DeCain
David Eason
Andy Freimuth
Theresa Galvin

Roy Gordon
Barry Hager
Sue Hill
Michael Lebowitz
Arthur Schatzkin
Don Sherk

Mission Statement

The Public Services Committee of the Town of Chevy Chase is charged with helping the Town deliver high quality services and promote a safe environment for our residents. Public services of interest include those provided solely by the Town as well as those services that are partially or fully provided by other governmental and/or private entities. These services include public safety, water run-off, utilities and Town maintenance.

The Town's Centennial Supper Receives Rave Reviews

**Bridget Hartman and Cathy Wolf, Program Co-Chairs
Community Relations Committee**

In celebrating the 100th anniversary of the subdividing of lots for Section Four within the Town, we made history once again! We thank all of our resident dinner and dessert hosts and chefs who made the Centennial Dinner a huge success.

We have received many compliments from residents who attended the Centennial Supper. Here is just a sampling:

- "I had the most delightful evening imaginable on the occasion of the Chevy Chase Centennial Supper. This was a beautifully conceived idea that served to weave together more friendships between the residents of Chevy Chase. We feel privileged to have opened our doors to sparkling guests, each of whom has an interesting personal profile and was gifted with charming conversational skills."
- "My husband and I thoroughly enjoyed the progressive dinner Saturday night, which offered an increased sense of community. It was a delightful chance to visit with neighborhood friends, as well as make new acquaintances. We wish to thank you and all those who prepared the dinner and served in their homes."
- "What a great way to meet people who we probably might never meet. I'd guess the ages in our group varied from 22 to the late 50s. We were the oldest at 79, egads!"

One hundred forty residents gathered in the Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. to mingle with all the guests before drawing a card to find out where they would have dinner and dessert. After the random drawing, residents were off to meet their hosts and the other dinner guests. Great conversation and great food proved to be a winning combination for an enjoyable evening.

The Town and the Community Relations Committee, which organized the event, hope that it will become an annual event.

This year actually marks the 100th anniversary of two important events in the Town of Chevy Chase's history.

- In 1909, the Chevy Chase Land Company submitted to the county its subdivision plat for the earliest sections of today's Town – the area west of Connecticut Avenue and north of Bradley Lane. Inspired by the noted landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted, the plan called for retaining the natural topography, rolling hills and small streams, and established wide streets with tree-lined sidewalks and generous front yards.
- Also in 1909, residents on both sides of Connecticut Avenue formed the Chevy Chase Citizens Association of Section Three and Four. Although Section Four would not become an incorporated municipality until 1918, the seeds of self-government in the Section now called the Town of Chevy Chase were planted 100 years ago.

Manna Monthly Weigh-In – Six Hundred Twenty-Seven Pounds To Date! **Community Relations Committee**

Residents attending the Centennial Supper donated 210 pounds of food to Manna which brings our total to date to 627 pounds. We hope that when you are grocery shopping you will remember to pick up a few items – no glass - to donate to the food drive. When a grocery bag is full, drop it at the Town office (301) 654-7144 or call (301) 785-0933 for a pick-up. If you are interested in assisting with this project, please contact the Town Office.



Centennial Supper

September 12, 2009

Bridget Hartman and Cathy Wolf, Program Co-Chairs
Community Relations Committee

Dinner Hosts

Linna Barnes and Chris Mixter
Pat Burda and Joe Guerra
Bonnie and Charles Duffy
Put and Charles Ebinger
Marcy and Arthur Forrest
Mary Anne and Lance Hoffman
Marianne Haug and Andres Rigo
Jill Morehouse Lum and Brady Lum
Susan Mitchell and Art Fraas
Ketch Ryan
Cathy and Dick Singleton
Mary and Michael Wiencek

Dinner Chefs

Bonnie and Charles Duffy
Marcy and Arthur Forrest
Rosanne Gochman
Naomi and Irving Kaminsky
Barbara and Paul Liu
Jill Morehouse Lum and Brady Lum
Janice and John O'Brien
Ketch Ryan
Cathy and Dick Singleton
Sarah and Peter Smith
Margaret Wiener and Steve Goldstein

Dessert Hosts

Julia Brown and Frank Gomez
Amy Kossoff and Rob Enelow
Elizabeth Hendricks
Steve Lawton
Dian and Steve Seidel
Kathy and David Strom
Jayne and Dennis Wood

Dessert Chefs

Sally Duggin and Kirk Renaud
Rebecca Goldberg and Clifford Chen
Beverly and Bill Hudnut
Erin and Mark Kopelman
Shelly and Jeff Kupfer
Beverly and Jon Beverly Meyerson
Rose and Bill Miller
Susan and Chris Milner
Sue Rohan and Mark Luker
Julie Stanish
Nilmini and Joel Rubin
Donna and Jim Worsham

Shades of Green

From the Environment Committee Plastic Grocery Bags - Kick the Habit!

Consider not using disposable grocery bags when you shop. Why?

1. Americans use more than 150 billion plastic shopping bags every year.
2. Plastic bags are made from non-renewable resources and just 14 plastic shopping bags contain enough embodied petroleum energy to drive a car 1 mile.
3. The average plastic bag is used for five minutes to carry your purchases home, yet these single use plastic bags can take up to 1000 years to break down.
4. Plastic bags don't biodegrade, they photodegrade. This is a chemical reaction between plastic and sunlight. It means that the plastic bags break down into smaller and smaller toxic bits contaminating soil and waterways.
5. Every piece of plastic ever made still exists. In some places it's reported that there's more plastic than plankton. Plastic bags are in the top 12 items of debris most often found in coastal cleanups.
6. Plastic bag recycling is still inefficient in today's economy. The energy and funds required to collect and process plastic bags far exceeds the market price after recycling. Recycling plastic bags just isn't worth it.
7. Plastic bags are known to kill sea birds, sea mammals and fish. Turtles, dolphins, and whales can choke or starve by confusing plastic bags for jellyfish.
8. Plastic bags block drains, leading to so much flooding that they have been banned in Mumbai, India, and in Bangladesh after they were blamed for clogging drains and sewers, leading to severe floods. Think of all the resources and energy consumed in drilling for the oil used for this plastic, and then manufacturing the bags, transporting them to market, and finally disposing them after you use them for five minutes. Reusable bags are the solution! A sturdy, reusable bag will last for years, and only needs to be used 5 times to begin to have a net-positive environmental impact. Buy several bags the next time you're at the grocery store. They're actually more manageable and many stores offer a 5 cent rebate per reusable bag used. Keep them in your car so they're handy for your next shopping trip. You can use them for non-grocery shopping as well.

Neighbors Talking To Neighbors

Parking Reminder

The Town's residential parking permit program was designed to insure that residents would be able to find available parking in front of or very close to their properties. A parking permit is issued to a resident to be used in the vicinity of his or her home. Residents who live in the northeast corner of Town--residents of upper Elm, 46th, and 45th Streets and Willow Lane—and the southwest corner of Town—West Avenue, Ridge and Stanford Streets are inconvenienced by residents who live in other parts of town but park on these streets on an all-day basis to commute to work or for shorter periods of time to go to Bethesda. Please be courteous to your neighbors and do not park on these streets.

Dogs on Leashes, Please

We have received calls from residents asking us to remind dog owners to be sure to keep their pet on a leash when not on private property. Although a pet owner might feel that their pet is under their control, a surprise encounter with an unleashed dog can be frightening. Also, do not allow your pet to defecate on a neighbor's property or on the public rights-of-way, CCES grounds or parks. We have received calls from residents near CCES and from residents living near the intersection of Ridge Street and East Avenue reporting that this is an on-going problem in those areas. Please take advantage of the "Dogipots" that are placed throughout the Town, including in the Thornapple Path and in the pocket park between Stanford and Rosemary Streets adjacent to CCES.

Leaf Blowers

The Montgomery County Ordinance makes an unwritten rule of community life official: good neighbors are considerate neighbors. We encourage you to be considerate of your neighbors when you schedule the fall leaf cleanup of your property. Please observe the quiet times, which are weekdays, 9 p.m. – 7 a.m. and Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, 9 p.m. – 9 a.m. Be aware of the noise level generated by the landscaping equipment used on your property and, if you feel it is too loud, please speak with your landscaping contractor. During office hours, residents should report potential violations to the Town office at 301-654-7144 or to the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection at 240-777-7770. When the office is closed, residents should report potential violations to the non-emergency police number at 301-279-8000.

Family-Friendly Chevy Chase Historical Society Fall Lecture

The Chevy Chase Historical Society will honor the life and music of **John Philip Sousa** on **Sunday, October 18**, with a 4 p.m. family program at the Jane E. Lawton Recreation Center Social Hall, 4301 Willow Lane. The community is invited to the free event.

Sousa directed the Marine Corps Band, which frequently played at the Chevy Chase Lake Dance Pavilion in the late 19th- and early 20th-century. Chevy Chase Lake was a popular summer destination for Washingtonians at the northern terminus of the Rock Creek Railway streetcar line on Connecticut Avenue, near today's T.W. Perry Building Supply.

Sousa historian and tuba player Matthew K. Brown will bring the great American bandmaster to life for CCHS' fall program. Professor of Tuba and Euphonium at Millersville University and Temple University, Brown incorporates original recordings, photographs, and other ephemera drawn from his personal collection of Sousa memorabilia.

The lively presentation, appropriate for school-age children and adults of all ages, will be followed by a rousing performance by a ceremonial unit of the United States Naval Academy Band. Founded in 1854 and comprised of professional musicians, the Band was instilling patriotism in the hearts of Americans decades before Sousa led musical evenings at Chevy Chase Lake. The Oct. 18 performance will involve all the instruments for which John Philip Sousa composed and will include a selection of much-loved American classics.

Questions about this special 1¼ hour of Sousa memories, concert and patriotic refreshments may be directed to CCHS program chair Shelly Brunner at 301/907-8072.

Pathways to a Greener Tomorrow

Members of the Garden Club of Chevy Chase and the Georgetown Garden Club are presenting a Flower Show, open and free to the public **Tuesday, October 20th from 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.** and Wednesday, October 21, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Village Hall, 5906 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD, 20815. Titled "Pathways to a Greener Tomorrow," the judged show includes flower arrangements representing Energy. The Horticulture classes include challenges in growing trees from seed and training plants into topiaries. The Photography class gathers in images of flowers, trees, water and historic scenes.

Open House at the Chevy Chase Fire Department

The Chevy Chase Fire Department, Inc. will hold its annual Open House on **Saturday, October 10, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** The Open House will feature: supervised fire engine rides for children and adults, clown, fire truck slide, safety house, demonstrations by members of specialized teams – high rise rescue, hazardous materials and refreshments.

What: 5K Run/ 3K Walk

When: Sunday, October 11, 9 am

Where: Candy Cane City - Rock Creek Park, Chevy Chase

Who: B-CC HS families, parents, staff, students, community members; individuals and TEAMS!

How: Register at www.EllensRunOnline.org by October 6



Ellen's Run is held annually in memory of Ellen Vala Schneider, former chair of the B-CC High School Scholarship Fund. A parent of two B-CC HS alums, Ellen worked tirelessly for the B-CC community. Proceeds from the race benefit the B-CC High School Community Scholarship Fund and Mental Health Association of Montgomery County. The fund has awarded scholarships every year since 1997 to B-CC students. Each dollar collected by the Fund goes directly to B-CC scholarship awardees. \$25 Adults; \$20 Students; \$10 children (3-12 years). After October 6, \$40 Adults & Students; \$10 children (3-12 years). Donations are welcome. Contributors of \$100 or more will be recognized on race day as members of "Ellen's Legacy Circle." Post-race brunch and celebration, prizes for winners, T-shirts if you register before October 6. For more information, contact Pam Feinstein, feinstein@aol.com or 301-332-7859.



LEAF VACUUMING BEGINS ON OCTOBER 19



Vacuum trucks pick up continuously, street by street. All leaves should be raked to the edge of the curb. Please make sure that your leaves are not contaminated by cans, sticks, bottles, or rocks. After leaf collection ends, leaves should be placed in paper bags or placed in reusable containers for yard trash recycling. A map of the leaf vacuuming schedule is posted on the Town website, www.townofchevy Chase.org. The color coded map cannot be included in the newsletter, but please call the Town Office at (301) 654-7144 if you have any questions about the schedule or pickup.



Montgomery County Expands Recycling Program

Since the Town participates in the Montgomery County Recycling Program, residents may start recycling the additional items listed below. Any questions, call (301) 654-7144.

"Under the improved program, residents of single-family homes can now recycle non-hazardous aerosol cans and Tupperware™ and Rubbermaid™-type durable reusable plastic containers and lids. Non-hazardous aerosol cans include whipped topping, spray cooking oil, deodorant, shaving cream and hair spray aerosol cans. These cans must be emptied before being placed into the green commingled materials recycling bin. In addition, the mixed paper recycling program has been expanded to include various types of coated paper items. These items include milk and juice cartons, frozen food boxes, cardboard ice cream containers and lids, paper coffee and drink cups, wax-coated fruit and produce boxes, and juice and drink boxes. "

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